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**RIDING DOWN A LOG SHOOT.**  
Miner and his Pony Slide down a Mountain for Two Miles at a Terrific Speed.  
"I have made a mile a minute on horseback in the saddle."  
As a grizzled stranger with a quartzite nose made this remark a silence fell upon a little group of turkmen who sat in the porch of the Windsor Hotel at Denver.

other evening. The group drew closer, and the stranger began. "I was riding a high little bronco on my way to Leadville on a claim I owned on the other side of the divide, on the slope of what is called Cold Mountain. I pushed rapidly ahead towards the pass. The road beyond the pass went down a long, straight incline for about a quarter of a mile. This took it to the edges of timber pine and then it made a detour of nearly two miles to get around a spur of the range. Suddenly my horse

“Right here let me stop to explain a circumstance that will enable you to understand the situation. Down in the valley, at the base of Gold Mountain, was a saw-mill, and extending up from its yard almost to timber line was what is called a log chute. This is simply a V-shaped

ough, large enough to hold a good-sized trunk, and built solidly against the face of the mountain. Of course, it has to be straight, or nearly so, to permit the logs to slide down without obstruction, and use upon makes the inside as smooth as glass.

Such a contrivance saves a great deal of hauling, for as the trees are cut they are dragged over and dumped into the trough, and go down to the yard like a streak of lightning. It had not been used for about a year, and pine needles, dead boughs, and

"It takes a moment for the coolest head to clear itself in times of unlooked for peril, and long before that moment had elapsed the bronco and I were on our way to the valley, going faster at every breath, nothing to stop us, death ahead, and the devil's own railroad underneath. I was sitting almost erect in the seat. The

Even had they not, jumping off would have been out of the question. I have never been on a toboggan, but I think that people who have will understand why I bent all my energies to holding on. I did not faint and did not get dizzy; there was a hideous roaring in my ears, furious wind seemed to

of a sudden tear up the mountain and suck the breath out of my mouth, but everything was deadly clear and instinctive. I could see black specks grow suddenly into big pines and then shoot past me. I could even see the snow caught up in their needles as they came whizzing up. Every instant, through some clearing, I could see the valley, in a flash, and over it all was a sickening feeling, as though the mountain was sinking away from me and I was plunging out into immeasurable space.

strong was this that even now, standing on the solid marble floor, I can recall the qualm and nausea as all support seemed to go away, the earth tip up and let me fall, fall, fall—it felt as if forever! A mass of rock as large as this hotel was beneath me. As I looked it seemed to leap into the air like a balloon. There was a black line of forest below. I shot through it as through a tunnel, and out into the light again. I tried to shut my eyes. It was impossible. I tried to scream. The air had turned to fire.

"The trees and rocks were indistinguishable, when all of a sudden a black mass flew up into my face. I felt that I was being eaten; bruised and hurled over, and then

EVERYTHING WAS STILL AGAIN.

"When the moon was well up I came to myself. I was lying in a snowdrift, rubbing my head and moaning. After a long time I crawled a little way, and then fell down and cried for my very helplessness. I must have been a little flighty, and heaven knows how I found my way to Lacy's hill, a quarter of a mile beyond, but I did

help, and they carried me in and sent for help. You see, the old timber chute had fallen into decay, and some distance above the yard was a broken place that saved my life. When we reached it the dead bronco jumped the trough and the two of us went sailing and turning and cavorting over a field of fresh snow until we stuck into a drift about five hundred yards away. "The bronco had the worst of it even here, for he kept on going until he struck solid earth. I broke three ribs and this

What puzzled the mill men most was that my legs escaped, but the saddle flaps were worn to fringe and that explains it. From the point where I started to the break was over two miles, and the old hands said there logs used to make it in less than two minutes. I had no stop-watch, but I'll back myself against any log that ever made the trip.

A London publisher issued a few months ago a facsimile of the famous Ribero map, made in 1529, and copies of it are being prepared by the principal historical libraries of our country. It was the greatest map made up to its time, and embraced the discoveries of the early Spanish, Portuguese and French voyagers. A copy received at the State Library at Albany has convinced a writer in the *Albany Journal* that it shows the Hudson river, and therefore that that majestic

Dr. George H. Moore, of the Lenox Library, which also has a copy of the map, observes, however, that it would be a wise man who should decide whether the stream dedicated is the Hudson river or Chesapeake bay, so very uncertain are the outlines and so defective is the scale. The map unquestionably covers the coast of North America, but the only points indicated with certainty are Florida and Cape Cod. A lot of the names are marked

The Ribero map has long been known to scholars, there being three ancient copies in existence, one in the Vatican, one in Leinar, and one in Jena. There are men who think it very probable that the Hudson river was sailed by other white men before one for whom it is named, but there is evidence that will justify the next or any

**A Bad Memory.**

Lord Tenneyson is not gifted with a memory of faces. It was told that he was entertained one day at dinner by a Mr. Oscar, owning a wealthy gentleman well known London society and not at all related to the owner of the post. A few days after Mr. Oscar met Lord Tenneyson at a re-

tion and saluted him cordially, but the net looked at him vaguely and did not recognize him. "Do you not remember, Mr. Tennyson? I am Browning," said his nondescript host. "Oh, no, you are not," answered Tennyson, placidly. "I know Robert Browning intimately, and you cannot persuade me that you are he." So off went, leaving his unfortunate entertainer in a decidedly unpleasant predicament.

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 o of them while at the polls.



















